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Harms, Craig pace way to Nationals

by Erin Ries
Staff Writer

On a snowy, windy Saturday in Minnesota, the Wartburg harriers set out to fulfill their dreams.

Although snow and ice covered nearly the entire course, the Central Region cross country race went on.

Almost 400 runners, dressed in long-sleeved shirts, tights, hats, gloves and even nylons for warmth, gathered at St. Olaf to compete for the top three teams on the men's side and the top four teams on the women's side.

The top five men and top three women's individual finishers (that were not on the qualifying teams) also earned themselves a spot in the national race.

Wartburg's own Ryan Harms and T.J. Craig were able to fulfill their dreams of running at nationals as they clinched themselves spots on the starting line. They finished sixth and 10th in 26 minutes 43 seconds and 26:57, respectively, to advance to the national NCAA Division III cross country meet in Boston on Saturday.

Coach Steve Johnson said it was great to see them run so competitively and advance to nationals. Since being front runners is still new for them, Johnson said they are learning more and more about this new level of running each time they step on a course.

"Harms isn't a very patient runner," said Johnson. "He got right in the race and led it a lot, but did not react to a move made on him. Nonetheless, he still ran a solid race and will advance."

Craig also said he didn't feel he ran the best race.

"I would have liked to finish better," said Craig.

"Considering the conditions, I think a lot of people underestimated the weather and it gave them more of a chance.

"Some people ran really good and some people broke down ... this made it wide open for everybody."



Photo courtesy of Dave Neff

ARE WE DONE YET?—From a photo taken earlier this year cross country runners Ryan Harms (left) and T.J. Craig keep pace with each other. The two juniors advanced to the NCAA Division III race which will be run in Boston on Nov. 22. Next Saturday's meet is the first nationals for both runners.

Craig said he is just happy to be going.

"When I came to Wartburg, I had been to state all four years and my goal was to make it to nationals and become an All-American," said Craig.

"I want to be an All-American. I'm not going to run

afraid of dying ... there's no point in holding back.

"I wish the whole team could have gone because that's how it's been all year," said Craig. "We're not overly upset about it, though. We ran hard and were competitive, so we shouldn't be disappointed."

According to Johnson, the men should not be discouraged about their performance.

They placed fifth overall, which is the second best finish in the past two decades. Although he said they could have run a little better, he is happy with their efforts.

Freshman Tom Zirbel was Wartburg's third runner, placing 33rd in 27:42. Johnson commented that Zirbel ran really well for a freshman and has been consistent throughout the entire year.

"He was really strong and looked good," said Johnson. "He was the fourth best freshman finisher in the field, with number three only .4 second ahead of him."

Wendall Hruska and Kendall Rickleff finished 49th and 50th in 27:56 and 27:57, respectively.

Dave Max and Brian Ryherd rounded out the men's team placing 83rd and 93rd in 28:45 and 29:01, respectively.

Although the men enjoyed a solid performance, the women were a little disappointed with their ninth place finish, according to Johnson.

He said he really thought they had a chance to advance, but does not want to dwell on this meet since the rest of the season was pretty successful.

He said he feels bad that the team finished so poorly because he knows they possess more talent than the finish reveals.

He did comment, however, that this was the most competitive the region has ever been. All of the teams that

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Letter gives community food for thought

by Annette Everding
News Editor

Campus Activities Board (CAB) President Meloyne Wimbley said it came as no surprise when she received a letter telling her and Student Body President Jeremy Brummond about the repercussions they would face for canceling the alternative band Why Store last week.

Brummond said he received his letter from Rick Gorbette, president of Event Resources Presents, Inc., on Friday.

The letter was received after CAB decided not to have Why Store perform at Wartburg on Nov. 21.

Why Store was canceled after Student Senate took a survey asking students if they would buy a ticket for the concert. Many students had never heard of Why Store and said they were not willing to pay \$8 for a ticket.

Brummond said he told CAB that Student Senate would not give them \$4,000 to help bring the band to campus, but CAB could have them if it wanted.

"It was not my decision to cancel, but I did influence them," Brummond said.

Director of Campus Activities Adele Rodriguez said she believes the intent of the letter was to talk to the student leaders.

She said she does not think Gorbette was trying to hurt anyone; he was just trying to make a point concerning CAB's cancellation.

"I see no purpose for anyone trying to point the finger. I don't see Meloyne or Jeremy as the sole cause of this and I fully support CAB in their decision," Rodriguez said.

Gorbette states in the first paragraph of

"We were noble in backing out by listening to the students. We did our job."

—Jeremy Brummond
student body president

his letter that he is not writing this letter to sound "overly philosophical or angry," but he wants Wartburg to know how its decision will affect the future.

According to Wimbley, CAB had only a verbal agreement with the band and could cancel without any repercussions.

"It is more an ethical and moral issue than legal," she said.

Wimbley said Gorbette told CAB that he would be sending this letter if they canceled and would blackball them.

In the letter Gorbette said "reversing a verbal agreement is unacceptable." He also said Wartburg had violated many ethical codes of the National Association for Campus Activities (NACA).

Wimbley said Gorbette sent a fax to CAB saying Wartburg was violating Code 8 of the NACA ethical code.

According to Rodriguez, the code states that ethically, oral agreements and commitments should be honored but oral agreements are not binding. A written contract is essential to make an agreement binding, she said.

"This actually helped CAB out more

than him. I was the Iowa representative for NACA for a year, and this guy doesn't know what he is talking about," Wimbley said. "We have talked to the director of NACA and everything is fine."

Rodriguez said CAB did look at canceling the band as an ethical issue. She said there were two ethical issues at hand.

CAB had to decide between breaking the trust of the student body and breaking the agreement with Event Resources Presents, according to Rodriguez.

"CAB made an ethical decision in not breaking the student trust," she said.

Rodriguez said Gorbette is looking at the situation from only the band's point of view and not taking into account the Wartburg students.

Gorbette continued, saying he would inform other colleges and agencies that Wartburg does not keep its promises.

Wimbley said she is not worried. "We don't have anything to do with other colleges, so what do they care? It's not going to harm us," she said.

Gorbette also said in the letter it would be three to five years before Wartburg could book another act on campus.

That is very doubtful, said Rodriguez.

"It is going to take a lot more [than one incident] to make agencies stop [booking acts here]," she said.

Both Brummond and Wimbley said they use many other agencies besides this one to book acts.

According to Wimbley, Wartburg already has acts scheduled for the rest of the year through other agencies.

"Agencies that we have worked with in the past are going to look at our past track record with them, and if it is good, they

will work with us," Wimbley said. "This one little incident is not going to hurt us."

Rodriguez said she spoke with Gorbette's assistant to see if she could get copies of the letters written to other agencies and was told the letters have not been written yet.

"I'm not sure if they are serious or if they are trying to get us to think more about this [cancellation]," Rodriguez said.

"I see no purpose for anyone trying to point the finger. I don't see Meloyne or Jeremy as the sole cause of this and I fully support CAB in their decision."

—Adele Rodriguez
director of campus activities

Both Rodriguez and Brummond said it is the agencies' job to book acts, and they are not going to stop booking at Wartburg because of this one cancellation.

"They [agencies] need us; we don't need them because we can go to other ones," Wimbley said.

Both Brummond and Wimbley said they are not worried about the letter and students should not be concerned either. Wartburg will still be able to get acts to perform on campus because it has a good

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Danish journalist shares perils and stories

by Sarah Christopherson
Staff Writer

Wartburg students, faculty and staff heard about the perils of nationalism and the experiences of one Danish journalist last week.

Steen Ramsgaard, a reporter for the Danish Broadcasting Corporation, spoke about these two issues during his visit to Wartburg as part of the German Marshall Fund.

Throughout the week, Ramsgaard talked to economic, management, history, religion and communication arts classes.

People, like Ramsgaard for example, are brought to Wartburg to help introduce broader ideas to students, said Grant Price, executive-in-residence in the communication arts department.

Price said Ramsgaard provided first-hand information about how someone from a different country does things.

Sophomore Jaimie Ede said she really enjoyed listening to Ramsgaard talk to the electronic media class.

"I thought it was so great because I couldn't imagine [doing what he does]," she said.

Ramsgaard began his career at the *Daily Politiken*, a leading Danish newspaper, where he started as junior assistant editor on the foreign desk. He reported on events in Poland, the Soviet Union, Turkey and the Middle East, including the 1987 war in Lebanon.

With the position he held, Ramsgaard didn't get to do as much writing as he would have liked.

"I was one of the editors who wanted the most to write," he said.

His first assignment was to Poland in 1983 when the Pope visited for the first time after Marshal Law was imposed.

Ramsgaard said that he still remembers 1,600 reporters trying to use 20 telephone lines, six of which were booked in advance, to submit their stories. He said fortunately he finished his story early and sent it by 4 p.m. Other reporters weren't as fortunate and some even thought their jobs were at stake because of the delay.

While covering the war in Lebanon, Ramsgaard visited a hospital to get a good overview of a refugee camp in Beirut and take pictures for his story.

The first time he was there, two guards followed him



Photo by Heather Simpson

TELLIN' 'EM HOW IT IS—Danish journalist Steen Ramsgaard talks to students, faculty and staff at a meeting at the Other Place Friday afternoon about his impressions of Americans after his week's visit to Wartburg.

and a Norwegian nurse to a third-floor window of the hospital without saying a word.

Before the two got to the window, the guards pointed their machine guns at them. Ramsgaard said he turned and walked away.

He said that it wasn't until later that he realized what could have happened. The next day he went back and took the pictures he wanted.

"I wanted to do the story because I thought it mattered," said Ramsgaard.

He said he realized not to take people's reactions for granted.

After a five-year tenure at the *Daily Politiken*, Ramsgaard began doing television news for DR TV1, a state-owned station in Denmark in 1988.

During his first three years with the station, he reported on events in central and southeastern Europe, covering

elections in Greece, developments in Germany before and after reunification, developments in Eastern Europe, and the Gulf Crisis in Jordan, Iraq and Israel.

In 1993, Ramsgaard traveled to the former Yugoslavia.

While driving down a straight road in "no man's land" with his cameraman, he was shot at from every house they passed.

A bullet ricocheted off of the asphalt and shattered the windshield of the car they were traveling in. Ramsgaard said that the shots being fired at them sounded nothing like shots fired in a Western movie.

Ramsgaard has moved from foreign to domestic news and now reports on Danish news.

Ramsgaard said that to be a good journalist, a person sometimes has to put his job before his family. He said that was part of the reason he hadn't married until this past year. Ramsgaard has a two month-old-daughter at home.

Service trips give students new lifelong experiences

by Nick Robertson
Staff Writer

Wartburg offers a variety of service trips for students looking for the opportunity to help and to get away.

During winter break, six different trips led by student and faculty or staff members will go to various states to work for organizations such as Urban Servant Corps, Habitat For Humanity, Lutheran Volunteer Corps and Border Servant Corps.

The service trip options for students include Denver, Colo.; Leland, Miss.; Washington D.C.; Las Cruces, N.M.; Amarillo, Texas, and Winter Haven, Fla.

Centennial Residence Hall Director Val Jones, who is in charge of fundraising, organizing vehicles and money management, is the coordinator for the trips.

"I think they're wonderful experiences," said Jones. "They're a good opportunity for students to know each other on a different level."

This year the cost for the trips will be \$100, \$20 more than in previous years because of limited funds and limited resources.

The extra money will be used to make sure the quality of the trips is as good as in the past.

A scholarship fund has been established for students in need of money to ensure that nobody is turned away because of lack of funds.

Applications are due by 4 p.m. Fri.day. Students will be notified by Nov. 26 of who was selected for the service trips.

Applications can be picked up at the Residential Life office or the Campus Ministry office.

News Briefs

•According to security officer Bob Blockhaus a fight broke out at Joe's Knighthawk late Saturday night. Blockhaus said three African-American males jumped a white male on the dance floor and began to beat him up. The fight did not continue on campus after it was broken up at Joe's, he said. The student received a few bruises and cuts on his face but was not seriously injured, according to Blockhaus. He said no names could be released due to the ongoing investigation.

•Dr. Rick Torgerson, vice-president for development, confirms he e-mailed faculty and staff Thursday informing them of his resignation. Torgerson said he will not resign until he finishes his work at Wartburg in the first quarter of 1998. He will leave at the end of January or the beginning of February.

•Wartburg hired John Meyer as the new security chief to replace Bud Potter. Meyer's duties will begin on Nov. 25 and Potter will stay on part-time.

Look for more on these stories in next week's issue.

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track record with agencies and performers Wimbley said.

Brummond said he supports Wimbley and CAB's decision and will continue to back them.

"I'm glad CAB didn't go ahead with the band because they would have lost money and so would've the students," he said. "They made the right decision."

In the last paragraph Gorbette said he was "confused by the lack of commitment, vision, ethics and honor of those student leaders who opposed the appearance of Why Store."

Brummond said he would rewrite the sentence to read "I am impressed by the commitment, etc."

"We were noble in backing out by listening to the students," he said. "We did our job."

"This has really been a learning experience for myself and CAB members," Rodriguez said.

It has been a transitional period for both Rodriguez and CAB members because she has only been at Wartburg for three months Rodriguez said.

"We are learning a lot and it makes everyone think harder about the process and what it takes to make the next concert better," she said.

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Editorial

Look through the eyes of another

Normally, I write my column about something in the newspaper or about something that happened to me in the past week. However, this week is a little different.

E-mail is a wonderful technology, but there is one thing that I really hate about it ... chain letters. Before e-mail how often did you get chain letters? Not very often, I imagine. I know I didn't get them very often via regular mail. Now, it seems, I get one every day.

I usually read the first part of each letter just to see what it is about. Some of the chain letters I have gotten have had some really awesome phrases at the beginning. (Finally we reach the topic of my column.) I want to share with everyone the phrase that was at the top of one of the chain letters I got this week. This is what it said:

"If I could, I'd give you my eyes—just for a moment—to see you as I do. Then maybe you would see for yourself this beautiful person who matters so much to all who have the privilege of sharing your life."

This phrase has a multitude of uses in our lives today. First, it honors anyone we find really special in our lives, but that isn't what I want to focus on. I think this also can apply to our relations with others as well—at least the first part of the phrase.

We often make snap judgments about people or go by someone else's opinion of that person. I challenge everyone to try what this phrase says. Try looking through the eyes of someone before making a judgment about them.

Everyone sees the world a little differently. Remember that when you first meet someone. What you see isn't necessarily what they see. I challenge you to try looking through their eyes, even if just for a moment.

Carrie Lawton,
editor

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Adventures of a rivalry

Permit me to stray from my childhood stories of deviousness this week as I use my column space to offer congratulations.

For after this weekend, congratulations are certainly in order. You might be shocked, however, when I say that these particular congratulations are for Luther College.

Congratulations Luther College ... you have been duped!!!

Not only did we bash you to bits on the football field, but we scored other victories as well.

We secretly infiltrated your home. We left our mark throughout your campus. We made fools of you all. The best part is, it happened in the purest of daylight and in the presence of one of your own staff.

All thanks to the stealth and ingenuity of KWAR...

At first glimpse, KWAR station manager, Jay Boeding, seems innocent, calm and reserved. He's not.

He's actually a diabolically crafty engineer of mischief and unrest. And it was that mischief and unrest that led us to Luther College on Saturday morning.

Under the false identities of youth group leaders from Wisconsin, we entered our rival's domain with two basic intentions.

The first was to bring back proof that we had pulled one over on Luther College. Luckily, we brought along a camera.

If pictures do tell a thousand words, then you should see the one of the KWAR staff smiling



Dan
Wardell

A Whole Lot
of Spankings'

wolfish smiles in the very control room of Luther's radio station. We just invited ourselves in, fed them our rehearsed cover story and politely asked if we could take some shots. The poor suckers had no idea who we were.

Although all the shots look great, my personal favorite is the one with Jay getting his picture with the meal ticket taker lady.

Oh yeah, did I fail to mention that we all got free meals as part of the tour? We walked ourselves right on into our enemy's cafeteria and scarfed down their rations. True, it was pretty bad tasting, but there's just something delicious about eating beside enemies who don't even know you're there.

We also ended up getting free passes to their football game. And we sure didn't want to pass up complementary tickets to the beating of the Luther smurfs.

Our second goal was to leave some proof of our presence there for them to savor. That proof took the form of about 70 KWAR bumper stickers which we cautiously applied to every doorway, window and trashcan along the tour.

An interesting sidenote on our guide ... she was not hesitant to bring up the rivalry between Luther and Wartburg, since there was the big game going on that day. In explaining last year's air drop, she told a very altered tale.

According to her, two Wartburg helicopters dropped leaflets on Luther's campus and the perpetrators are still in jail.

It will be very interesting to see what legends they create from Saturday's escapades.

Whatever story they concoct, the true legend of the day is that Jay Boeding led KWAR into the lion's den and returned without a whole lot of spankings'.



Photo courtesy of
Dan Wardell

SECOND VICTORY—
KWAR staff members enjoying Luther's fine cafeteria offerings during their tour of campus Saturday.

Letter

Student gains valuable experience

Reporting from Denver, Colo.—blizzard capital of the world! Just kidding, but since the largest snowstorm to hit Colorado since the 1920s hit, it sure seems that way.

You know what? It was really cool to experience the whole thing. I can tell some of you think I'm just acting stupid (shut up, Risius), but to make it through with 2 million plus people in a snow storm that paralyzed the whole front range from Wyoming to New Mexico is pretty cool!

Imagine surviving with only 67 snow vehicles (including plows and sand trucks) for the Denver area! Don't worry, this doesn't happen every day; in fact later this week I'll probably go out for a nice ride on my mountain bike in shorts!

I don't want the sound of this weather account to scare anyone away from the Wartburg West program. It is probably one of the best experiences you can take part in at Wartburg.

I'm not trying to sing you a little song and dance about the whole thing; it really is awesome! For example, everyone lives in the same apartment complex totally out of a school environment.

I have an internship that kicks butt—it runs four days a week, the oldest person in my office is 34 and there are only 11 of us total in the company. It is with a technology consulting firm located right downtown, and I'm receiving tons of experience while having a great time!

I also have two classes, one on Fridays and another on Sundays. I'm receiving full credit for all of the work I'm doing out here, from my internship to my other classes. The whole experience is like tasting real life before you have to really participate in it!

Of course, the other items that are very obvious reasons to come to Denver are the mountains—a short hour drive away! It is really awesome to wake up in the

mornings, look out and see the snow-capped mountains saying "Good morning. Come ski me!"

I must say, if anyone is thinking about participating in an off-campus program, Wartburg West is a great opportunity. You gain the valuable experience of an internship, which will help you start ahead in your field.

And yes, you receive a full semester's worth of credit and have an awesome time doing it! I think it is pretty cool to know that when I return for my final semester at Wartburg I have already been a real consultant in the real world! How many other students at other schools have the type of program that will let them claim that type of accomplishment?

For those of you coming out Winter Term, be ready for an awesome time. You definitely won't regret it. See everyone Jan. 6.

Josh Nelson,
senior at Wartburg West
This letter was submitted Oct. 28, 1997.

Marathon to rock all weekend long

THE ONE—

Wartburg's radio station KWAR FM 89.1 will begin using this logo and slogan during this week's third annual marathon. According to junior Jay Boeding, station manager, this logo will probably not be available on bumper stickers until Winter term.

Graphic courtesy of KWAR station management



by Chad Huhn
Staff Writer

Turn your radio frequency to 89.1 FM Wednesday at midnight for the kick-off of the third annual KWAR marathon.

The KWAR management is selecting the station's top shows and DJs to participate in the marathon.

Prizes will be given away every hour. Last year's marathon included 550 prizes such as a free game of bowling to the first pick in the housing lottery.

Among the many radio shows and music during the marathon, there also will be coverage of the men's basketball team and also a game of Trivial Pursuit played live on the air.

"We've got some exciting things in the works," said junior Jay Boeding, KWAR station manager.

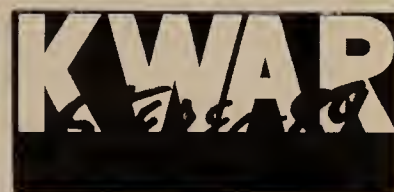
Boeding commented that there will be some changes to the way the station does things starting Wednesday night. KWAR management will also reveal the new logo and positioning statement.

Students can call in with requests at 8306.

The marathon will end at 5:06 Sunday evening, making exactly 89.1 hours.



DEE JAY—Junior Jay Boeding not only manages KWAR, but hosts his own show, Radioactive.



MARATHON HIGHLIGHTS:

Wednesday	Midnight	Kickoff
Thursday	8 p.m.	Radioactive
Friday	8 a.m.	Blues in the Morning
	8 p.m.	Basketball
Saturday	6 or 8 p.m.	Basketball
	9 p.m.	Flea's Magic Hour
Sunday	Noon	Trivial Pursuit Challenge

Coffeehouse to recognize Hunger and Homelessness Week

by Silje Aksness
Staff Writer

Do you enjoy performing or watching other students show their talents? Are you concerned about the community? If so, be at the Coffeehouse in Legends Saturday at 8 p.m.

This week's Coffeehouse will relate to National Hunger and Homelessness Week.

"This is our way to show support and

sympathy," said senior Jennifer Afdahl, chairperson of the Habitat for Humanity education committee and CAB cultural education committee. "Wartburg wants to help people who suffer and prevent hunger and homelessness. This college has a lot of dedicated people," she said.

Admission is \$1 or a nonperishable food item. Donations will go to the Catholic Worker House in Waterloo and the Salvation Army.

The Coffeehouse includes students singing, acting and reading poems. Facts about hunger and homelessness will also be presented throughout the night. People will be offered coffee and hot chocolate.

"This Coffeehouse will be very informal," Afdahl said.

Afdahl stated that many students signed up to perform Saturday evening. "Show your talents and help us make this a great event," she said.

The purpose of Coffeehouse is to educate and entertain students.

"I hope they will appreciate the program and realize that hunger and homelessness are big problems," Afdahl said. "The intention is to make people more aware of the problems and introduce them to possible and eternal solutions."

The event is sponsored by Habitat for Humanity and CAB Cultural Education.

Acts are still needed. Call 7778 or 7047.

Sixpence to play in Waterloo

by Chris Thomas
Staff Writer

They're not the 10,000 Maniacs, but they did open for them in the past.

Christian rock group Sixpence None the Richer will be in Waterloo tomorrow evening for a concert at the Waterloo Church of Christ.

Sixpence, as they are commonly called, has been playing together since 1993 when then 17-year-old Matt Slocum heard 13-year-old Leigh Bingham sing at a church retreat in their home state of Texas.

Since then, Sixpence has released two albums, "The Fatherless and The Widow," and "This Beautiful Mess," and has plans to release a new record this fall.

Sixpence has spent a lot of time touring and opening for acts such as 10,000 Maniacs and The Smithereens. The group has also played at festivals in both Europe and America.

Today, Sixpence consists of Matt Slocum on guitar, vocalist Leigh Bingham and Dale Baker on percussion. Dale joined the band when Sixpence recorded their demo tape in his home studio.

Tickets for the concert are \$6 in advance and \$10 at the door. Tickets must be purchased in person at the Waterloo Church of Christ, located at the corner of Cedar Bend and Broadway in Waterloo.

A new Christian act called Miss Angie will open for Sixpence at 7 p.m.

For more information or directions call the Waterloo Church of Christ at 233-0055.



Photo by Ben Pearson, courtesy of Squint Entertainment
SIXPENCE AT SEVEN—Sixpence None the Richer, an alternative Christian rock band, will appear live at the Waterloo Church of Christ tomorrow at 7 p.m.

Sixpence None the Richer

MEMBERS:

Matt Slocum, guitarist, cellist, principal songwriter
Leigh Nash, vocals
Dale Baker, drummer, percussionist

FOUNDED: 1992 by Slocum and Nash

WEB SITE: www.sixpence-ntr.com

DISCOGRAPHY:

Sixpence None the Richer (1997/Squint Ent.)
Tickets for a Prayer Wheel EP (1995/R.E.X.)
This Beautiful Mess (1995/R.E.X.)
The Fatherless and the Widow (1993/R.E.X.)

REVIEWS:

"...the heart of Sixpence remains songwriter/guitarist Matt Slocum's literate, pensive songs and lead vocalist Leigh (Nash's) ethereal delivery. Her voice invites comparisons to Edie Brickell and Natalie Merchant, but she distinguishes herself with an edge of soulful passion..." - Billboard

"Got a monster thirst for alternative pop? Quench it with Sixpence...incredibly original." - Breakaway

Sixpence will appear at the Lemstone Bookstore, College Square Mall from 1-1:30 p.m. Tuesday. Please buy tapes or CDs ahead of time for autographs.

Water runs dry in "Diviners"

By Eirik Kvarv
Staff Writer

REVIEW

The startling and imaginative work, "The Diviners," focuses on a tiny southern Indiana town in the 1930s. It is the story of Buddy Layman (Chad Kent), a disturbed young man, and his friendship with a disenchanted preacher, C.C. Showers (Adam Bellin).

The hero in the play, Buddy, has an uncanny ability to find water with a divining rod for the farmers in the town, but he is afraid of water because he almost drowned as a child. His mother died trying to save him.

Kent brings to the stage a young boy who is afraid and is very confused by the death of his mother. He makes his internal fears come to life through with facial expressions and body movements. He creates a balance between the boy's innocence and stubbornness.

Another well-done performance is Bellin's portrayal of C.C. Showers, a man who has reached the end of his rope. Showers, like Buddy, is struggling with his past, but he finds a friend in the little boy, and that helps them both to go on.

Other than the two main characters and Sara Baker's portrayal of Norma Henshaw, the performances were not too impressive. Speaking and lacking body language were problems of some

actors, while others laughed at their own jokes on stage when they were not supposed to.

The play is about loss and the need to go on. Buddy has lost his mother. Buddy's father Ferris (Christopher Larsen) has lost his wife. Buddy's sister Jennie Mae (Tanya Swan), has lost her mother and some of her freedom because she has to take care of her brother. C.C. has lost his faith. The town has lost its church. Eventually, the town loses Buddy and its only way to find water.

The play was funny, but occasionally too funny. The actors made some situations funny that were not supposed to be: like Ben Hertenstein's whimsical facial expressions and Andrea Johnson's portrayal of Goldie Short, an elderly woman who puts fear of God in anyone caught drinking, dancing or swearing. She plays the character more as a comic relief than as a woman convinced of the words she speaks.

The play's climax was ruined by the attempt to make it into a movie by using slow motion. This does not belong on a stage, and it made the scene funny and stupid rather than sad—which it was supposed to be because of Buddy's death.

FRESHWATER—Freshman Chad Kent portrayed mentally disturbed Buddy Layman in the Wartburg Players production of "The Diviners."



Photo by Nathan Friesen

UNI presents "Noises Off"

by Julie Kreutner
Staff Writer

"Noises Off," the University of Northern Iowa's current theater production, presents the perfect example of the saying "The show must go on." There are actually two plays being shown at one time. The characters in "Noises Off" are putting on the production "Nothing On."

"Nothing On" is a hilarious play about a maid that is watching the Brent's summer home on her day off while they are away in Spain, or so everyone thought. When a man and a woman arrive to "look" at the house they find the maid. The Brents come back early to have the house all to themselves, but do not notice the extra people. Neither couple is aware that the other is at the house.

While each couple is unknowingly avoiding the other, each begin to wonder why objects keep appearing and disappearing. To add to the confusion a burglar breaks in. The plot takes off from here, adding several different twists.

"Noises Off" begins with the first act the night before "Nothing On" opens. The director is trying to get everything right while the actors are losing their contacts, asking about the purpose of doing certain actions, and dealing with emotional problems.

The second act is actually a behind-the-scenes look at the play about a month after opening. The set was rearranged so the audience is looking at the "backstage" and the stage is behind it. The audience is still able to know

what is going on "on-stage" because the play is still going on as normal, just not towards the audience.

In Act 2, there is a huge disturbance backstage several minutes before the play is to begin. There is worry over whether or not several of the actors and actress will even show on stage. Once everyone is "backstage" including the director, everything can and does happen. People are fighting and running around "backstage" while the actor and actress "on-stage" are performing.

The third and final act is three months after the play began, with the set in its original position. By now, several of the actors and actress have had personal problems with each other and can't seem to keep their concentration on the play. The actors and actress have to try to recover a play that is almost hopeless and is entirely different from the play the audience saw in the first act.

This production is a combination of staff and student actors and actresses at UNI, including Professor Richard Glockner as Lloyd, the Director. Glockner teaches theater at Wartburg.

This is a hilarious play that will keep you wonder what could possibly happen next. The acting was fantastic by all of the actors and actresses and the set was very interesting. I recommend it to anyone.

The play is showing Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. at UNI's Strayer-Wood Theatre. Tickets are \$7.50 general admission and \$5.50 for students and senior citizens.

Wartburg freshmen enter World Championship Wrestling contest

by Chris Thomas
Staff Writer

While most people were studying or eating in the caf, 14 Wartburg students were gathered in the Centennial ground lounge to watch WCW Monday Nitro.

WCW, or World Championship Wrestling, is a "professional" wrestling league. Every Sunday, Monday and Saturday night you can find the wrestlers of the WCW on television working towards the championship.

Freshman Aaron Buzza and Steve Woodhouse frequently watch these matches and noticed WCW was holding a contest. To enter, viewers videotaped their wrestling party and sent it in. Prizes included a WCW bash with Mean Gene Okerlund. Buzza and Woodhouse decided to give it a shot.

The fans gathered to videotape the party as they watched Diamond Dallas Page lose to Curt Henning, who retained his U.S. Heavyweight Title and Eddie Guerrero defeat Roy Mysterio Jr. for the Cruiserweight Title.

"Most of us believe that it isn't real, but it is still fun to watch anyway," Woodhouse said. "Even if it is fake, they still have to be pretty good athletes to do all those stunts as well."

The WCW can be seen on Sundays at 4 p.m. on TBS, on Mondays at 7 p.m. on TNT and on Saturdays at 5 p.m. on TBS.

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Managing their way around

by Jen Holloway
Staff Writer

Walking through a standard door. Climbing a flight of stairs. Walking on a snow-covered walkway.

To many Wartburg students, these are a part of everyday life that aren't given much thought. But to a physically disabled person these can be an annoyance or even a struggle.

For sophomores Jennifer Peterson and Drew Eldridge, this is everyday life.

Peterson is a social work major and works at the Information Desk for her work study. She is also blind.

According to Peterson, the fact that she was blind did not enter into her college decision to come to Wartburg. She said she is the first blind student to attend Wartburg. However, the college has had one student who was seeing impaired approximately 15 years ago.

Peterson said she likes the people at Wartburg.

"They accept my independence and treat me as a normal person," she said.

She said the faculty have been exceptional in helping with classes and homework assignments, even though she said she "doesn't need much help from them."

Peterson said she has few special needs aside from assistance in reading assignments and tests, but that Wartburg has been "really good about everything."

"My textbooks are either in Braille or on tape," she said. "Otherwise, I have a reader read the assignment to me."

In addition, Peterson has a computer that "talks" and a laptop machine that she uses to take notes. She also has a scanner for her computer so she can scan assignments into her computer and it will translate them into Braille.

Peterson said because of her blindness, getting around campus can be a challenge.

"Sometimes I do get lost and take a wrong turn on the sidewalks, but there is always someone there that I can ask for directions," she said.

According to Peterson, she got to know the campus well because she and her mother spent three hours before her freshman year learning the routes to all of the buildings where her classes were.

Eldridge is another student who is disabled. He is a computer science/computer information systems double major who has muscular dystrophy.

Eldridge said he really doesn't need much help getting around. The automatic doors do help, said Eldridge, and the maintenance crew is really good about keeping the walkways clear of snow in the winter.

One question that arises is whether Wartburg is handicap accessible to these students.

According to many students and faculty members, Wartburg is doing well facilitating for disabled or injured persons on campus.

Lex Smith, dean of students, said Wartburg does comply with all federal regulations in regards to making facilities handicap accessible.

"The facilities currently in place are a reasonable combination of items that were installed based on the judgement of faculty members," said Smith.

Those facilities include automatic door openers on some academic buildings and dorms, lighter five-pound doors in enclosed areas, elevators in the CTC and Student Union and a chair lift in Becker Hall. There are also ramps leading up to doors in place of or in addition to stairs, and handicap accessible bathrooms in many buildings and dorms.

Braille signs are also in Luther Hall, the Communication Technology Center and Grossmann Hall for the blind or seeing impaired.

Smith said the campus is not 100 percent accessible, but the college administration is continually trying to identify problems. Many of the changes that have been made were in response to requests made by students and faculty at Wartburg, he said.



Photo by Steve Youde

MAKING THE TREK UP— Junior Chris Diestelmeier walks up the steps inside the library. He is one of the few disabled students on campus this year. Many students and faculty members said Wartburg is doing well facilitating for disabled or injured persons on campus.

Plans for future facilities for disabled persons center mainly on the remodeling to be done in the next few years, said John Wuertz, plant superintendent. When remodeling is done on the library and Student Union, these buildings will be made fully accessible, said Wuertz. He said that, generally, handicapped facilities are added when old buildings are remodeled, such as Founders Hall, or when new ones are built, like Grossmann Hall and the Chapel. Due to costs, some buildings have not been made fully accessible, said Wuertz.

Most disabled students consider themselves independent and don't need much assistance, but there are those who have restricted access to some buildings.

"Classroom locations often are moved to more accessible places if a student or faculty member has problems reaching certain rooms, said Smith.

"Such problems can often be avoided without any remodeling," he said. "Hopefully in the future, all buildings at Wartburg will be available to all students, regardless of disabilities."

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Wartburg drops Luther, 49-15

by Steve Woodhouse
Staff Writer

The Wartburg Knights finished the season with their fourth consecutive victory, defeating the Luther Norsemen 49-15.

"It's great to come up here, play our last game and just totally dominate them. It's just such a great note to go out on," said Mitch Vapp. He is one of eight seniors who ended their Wartburg careers Saturday.

Trevor Shannon finished the day with three touchdowns and 163 yards. He was able to put up a thousand-yard season for the second year in a row with 1,162.

The scoring began early in the first quarter, when Keith Schmidt recovered a fumble on the Luther 35 yard line.

Six plays later, Matt Wheeler connected with Luke Haughenbury for a 22-yard touchdown pass and a quick 7-0 lead.

After forcing the Norse to punt, the Knights used the rest of the quarter to move downfield.

On the second play of the next quarter, Shannon

took the ball one yard for the touchdown increasing Wartburg's lead to 14-0.

The Knights had a 21-0 lead following a 48-yard pass from Wheeler to Ryan Rausch. Wheeler had two touchdowns on the day, as well as 136 yards passing.

Shannon scored his second touchdown on Wartburg's next possession, a two-yard dash, making the score 28-0.

Wartburg's defense came up with a big play later in the quarter. Joe Carter intercepted a pass and returned it 60 yards for the Knights' fifth touchdown and a 35-0 lead.

Shannon's presence was felt early in the second half. He rushed for 71 yards on ten plays, including the touchdown. The score stood at 42-0 after this drive.

The Norse scored for the first time in the third quarter on a 36-yard pass from Matt Brei to Eric Bartosh. This put them on the board, 42-7.

Both defenses dominated the rest of the third quarter and the beginning of the fourth. The Knights were able to score on a 22-yard run by Tyler Molstre,

following a Robert Slydell interception. This was the last time Wartburg got on the board, but it was still enough to put the Norse away.

Luther was able to score once again on a 7-yard Jeff Rohlwing run, which made the final score 49-15.

The field was full of emotion following the game, as pictures of the seniors were taken.

"It's really hard going around the field today, being on the field for the last time with these guys," said senior Steve Carr.

Both Carr and Vapp seem to have great respect and admiration for their team.

"They're a great bunch of guys, we've been through a lot together. I'm going to miss them and miss everybody on the team next year," Vapp said.

"You spend four years together, you get attached to each other and you get attached to the game," Carr said. "All things come to an end; it's been great."

Wartburg tied for third place in the Iowa Conference with Upper Iowa.

Head Coach Rick Willis



Photo by Heather Simpson

NICE TRY— A Luther defensive player lunges for tailback Tyler Molstre during the game Saturday. The Knights heated the snowy field as they finished the season strong, defeating the rival Norsemen 49-15.

and his staff now face the task of recruiting and training for next year.

"We have a good base to build around and we're going to work hard and build off that," Willis said.

"We're losing eight

seniors this year, and I know the juniors this year are going to work hard and just keep training to do better next year," said Shannon.

The final Iowa Conference standings are

Simpson first with an overall record of 10-0; Central second, 8-2; Wartburg and Upper Iowa third, 7-3; Loras, fifth 6-4; Buena Vista, sixth, 4-6; Luther and Dubuque, seventh 3-7 and William Penn ninth 1-9.

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Coach Hoppenworth said Nail had some nice tips, and Behne had good hits, but the team gave away too many free points.

St. Ben's was a good blocking team that hurt the Knights' offense, she added.

The Blazers had a team total of 97 digs compared to 85 by the Knights.

Captain Sarah Nederhoff contributed nearly one-fourth of these digs.

"We were a little calmer

than last night. We had to pass well, and we did that," said Hoppenworth.

"Crowd support was incredible."

—Sarah Hinrichs
Right-side hitter

Wartburg ended its 1997 season with a record of 24-9.

After the relentless

cheers of the Wartburg crowd and Superfans had ceased, the team circled up arm-in arm in the middle of the court.

The Knights were still smiling proudly through their tears as they sang the school loyalty song one last time.

Wartburg was just one game short of breaking the school record for volleyball wins in a season.

Looking ahead to 1998 Hoppenworth said she is excited that everyone is coming back with the one exception of senior back row specialist Brigid Arnold.

Knights bike in Championships

by Kris Erickson
Sports Editor

Two Wartburg mountain bikers traveled to Merrimac, Wis., on Saturday, Nov. 9, to compete in the National Collegiate Cycling Association (NCCA) National Collegiate Mountain Bike Championship.

In 42 degree weather seniors Lee Venteicher and Thad Paisar rode against professional, former world team members and 61 NCAA Division I moun-

tain bike racers.

Venteicher said he was surprised by the high level of competition.

Venteicher officially placed 78 and Paisar received 108 out of 163 starters.

"It was really exciting to be in a national race," said Paisar. "At one time I looked and had a Michigan Wolverine on my right and a Michigan State Spartan on my left."

The race was 28 miles made up of a seven mile lap that was traveled four times. The first mile of the

lap was a climb and the elevation of the lap was 900 feet in difference.

Mountain biking is a growing sport at the collegiate level. One reason for the current low popularity is the expense. Most bikes range around \$1500.

Paisar and Venteicher have started the Wartburg College Cycling Club for anyone who likes to ride for recreation or competition.

The first meeting for the organization will be Wed. at 10 p.m. in the basement of Grossmann.

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SPORTS

St. Benedict too much for Knights

The Wartburg volleyball team advanced to the second round of regional play. They achieved their first post-season victory in school history.

by Sarah Speltz
Staff Writer

The Wartburg College volleyball team made its first-ever appearance in post season play in the NCAA Central Region Tournament at Knight's Gymnasium Friday.

The Knights were all smiling as they processed onto the court to the sound of the theme song from the Olympic Games.

Wartburg was seeded third out of the six Division III teams. They defeated St. Olaf College in the first round but were defeated second round by the top-ranked College of St. Benedict.

Central College, seeded second in the tournament, beat Simpson College 3-1 in the semi-finals and defeated St. Benedict in the championship to win the region in three games 15-10, 15-7, 15-7. Nebraska Wesleyan University was defeated 3-2 in the first round by Simpson.

The Knights defeated fifth seeded St. Olaf Oles in their first match 3-1. Wartburg had defeated St. Olaf 3-1 earlier this season.

Wartburg lost the first game against St. Olaf 13-15, but the Knights came out "high-fiving" for

the second game and went on to win the last three 15-7, 15-9, 15-12.

"Our nerves showed a little bit in the beginning," said head coach Robin Hoppenworth.

She said the fans and the home court excitement got the players nervous, but they settled down after the first game.

Kayah-Bah Phillmann had the match high of 14 kills and 10 blocks for the Knights. Heather Nail, Jennie Donahue and Deb Behne contributed 12, 11 and 10 kills, respectively.

Hoppenworth said the Knights had to stay mentally tough.

"Volleyball is definitely a game of momentum," she said.

The momentum of Friday night's game began building as soon as the Knights took the court.

Before the game had even started Wartburg fans, were chanting "Let's go Wartburg," and between games, the approximately 1,100 member crowd did "the wave."

Junior Sarah Hinrichs said playing in the regional tournament on the Knights' home court was "unreal."

"Crowd support was incredible," Hinrichs said.

Wartburg's second match was played on Saturday against the Blazers from St. Benedict.

The Knights were defeated in four games 11-15, 15-6, 11-15, 1-15.

"We proved we could do it. I think we could have beat them, but we had some down moments," said Phillmann, a junior.

Highlights from the match included 12 kills by sophomore outside hitter Heather Nail.

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Photos by Katie Kelting

HISTORY IN THE MAKING—

(Above) Wartburg college volleyball team made post-season play for the first time in school history. (Right) Sarah Hinrichs and Kayah-Bah Phillmann put up a wall against a St. Olaf hitter in the first round of the NCAA regional volleyball tournament held this weekend in Knights Gymnasium.



NATIONALS

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placed ahead of Wartburg had been nationally ranked at one time or another throughout the season.

Johnson said due to the weather there were some major breakdowns in the women's race as well as the men's. St. Thomas, the second-ranked team in the nation and favorite to win the region, failed to advance after placing fifth.

Even though the team was disappointed, there were bright spots on the women's side. Junior Trina Steines paced the team to a 16th place finish in 20:04. She was the first person that did not advance individually.

Sophomore Karen Bomar also had a good race, placing 21st in 20:13.

Johnson said Bomar had her "race face" on and looked like she was ready to compete.

Erin Ries ran a solid race, but not among her best, said Johnson, as she placed 41st in 20:38.

Emily Ott and Amy Neal rounded out the scoring, finishing 59th and 73rd in 20:57 and 21:09, respectively. Also representing Wartburg were Katie Shearn and Heidi Ludvigsen, placing 83rd and 92nd.

The biggest problem Johnson said he saw in the women's race was the lack of packing.

"We practiced this all year and don't really know what happened," said Johnson. "The attitude and intensity were present ... it just wasn't our day."

Although the team and Johnson said they are very disappointed, they are already looking forward to having a great track season and working hard for cross country next fall.

"We worked hard, had a lot of fun and should be proud of ourselves," said senior Emily Ott. "Everyone that didn't qualify is going to be a little disappointed. We wouldn't be competitors if we weren't."

Even though the rest of the team is finished, they "look forward to encouraging Harms and T.J. on at Boston," said Ott.



Photo courtesy of Dave Neff

THROUGH THICK AND THIN— The Women's cross country team, shown here at the Cornell Ram Ram, finished their season last weekend at the Regional Meet at St. Olaf College. First row (left to right) - Katie Shearn, Emily Ott, Abby Fliehler, Kristin Nauman, Sarah Gabel, Amy Wagner, Karen Bomar, Erin Ries, Emily Roesger. Second row - Michelle Doom, Amy Neal, Cathy Gerner, Heidi Allen, Jennifer Horstmann, Betsy Neff, Ann Jordan. Third row - Heidi Ludvigsen, Trina Steines, Julie Leonard, Jen Loeb, Kathy Hoisington, Sara McClure, Heather Arbanella, Kel Hocker.